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1. In the summer of 1954, most of the Junkers aircraft specialists who had returned from the USSR since 1953 were concentrated in Pirna-Sonnenstein, the seat of the Material-Amt of the former Main Administration No. 18. They were kept there for several months without being assigned any serious work. 25X1
2. During November 1954, two MIG-17 aircraft models, provided by USSR, arrived in Pirna-Sonnenstein. One of them was dismantled, and its parts were stored in the basements of several of the large halls in the Pirna-Sonnenstein compound. The other one was left intact and placed in one of the large Pirna-Sonnenstein compound halls. At about the same time, Soviet documentary aircraft material arrived, and translators were put to work on it. The number of translators was gradually increased to about 200.
3. In early April 1955, about 30 more Junkers specialists, with their families who had arrived from the USSR shortly before, settled in the residential section of the Pirna-Sonnenstein compound. Among them were Ing. Otto Rademacher and Dr. Gerhard Cordes. According to some of the recent returnees, all but 36 Junkers specialists with their families had been returned to Germany. The majority of these specialists was in Pirna-Sonnenstein by early April 1955.
4. A relatively large number of the returned specialists were offered high salaries, varying between 5,000 and 9,000 DME per month. A small number of them received even higher salaries. Those of the specialists who were recognized as being of particular importance obtained personal automobiles. Among them were Dipl. Ing. Brunolf Wilhelm Baade, Ing. Schotte (fnu), Dr. Gerhard Cordes and Ing. Otto Rademacher.
5. There is widespread fear, particularly among the wives of the returned specialists, that either all or some of them might be returned to the USSR later.

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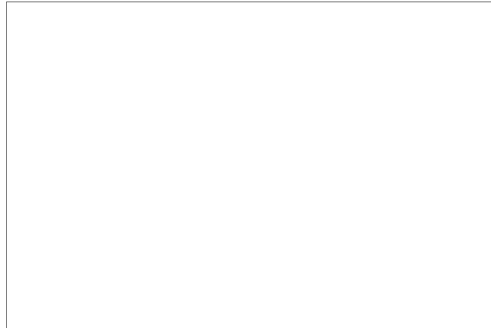
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